

**Question for written answer E-003191/2014  
to the Commission**  
Rule 117  
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Subject: One-third of world food production discarded

According to an analytical report by the Spanish economist José Cuesta recently published on the World Bank website, as much as one-third of world food production is being discarded. As a result, hundreds of millions of people in the world remain undernourished, the prices of internationally traded food commodities having only recently dipped from their 2012 historic peak.

The article goes on to point out that daily per capita food wastage in Europe amounts to 748 calories, that is to say 37.4 % of the daily recommended adult intake and that the global volume of food discarded could in fact meet the needs of undernourished populations.

In view of this:

1. What steps will the Commission take with a view to preventing food wastage in the Member States?
2. Does it intend to declare a European Year against Food Waste in the near future?